

Notice of Allowability

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 25 August 2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3 and 5-7.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 15 September 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Examiner noticed the amendments made on the claims 1 and 5-7. Claim 4 has been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-3 and 5-7 are allowed.
3. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: prior art of records neither anticipates nor renders obvious the limitations of having a recyclable, one time use, print on demand digital camera comprising a page-width print head for printing a sensed image and a casing surrounding and encasing said chassis so that the ink supply means is unable to be accessed without destruction of the casing.

Regarding claim 1, Maeda discloses a digital camera comprising a chassis (See figs. 1 and 3B) comprising: an image sensor (Fig. 4A: 101) for sensing an image (Col. 10, line 49 – col. 11, line 12); a processing means for processing said sensed image (Col. 10, line 49 – col. 11, line 12); a print head (Figs. 5-7) for printing said sensed image (Col. 14, line 64 – col. 15, line 6); an ink supply means (Figs. 5: 416 and 7: 416) for supplying ink to the print head; and a casing surrounding and encasing said chassis (See camera body in fig. 1), wherein the ink supply means comprises an ink supply cartridge which defines a plurality of ink supply channels, each of which is in communication with the print head and each channel containing a different color ink, in use for enabling full color printing to be effected (Col. 14, line 64 – col. 15, line 6; col. 16, line 35 – col. 17, line 4).

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However, Maeda fails to teach or suggest the digital camera as a recyclable, one time use, print on demand digital camera comprising a page-width print head for printing a sensed image and a casing surrounding and encasing said chassis so that the ink supply means is unable to be accessed without destruction of the casing.

Contact

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nelson D. Hernandez whose telephone number is (703) 305-8717. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wendy R. Garber can be reached on (703) 305-4929. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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